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Applicant:

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Title:

Devices, Systems, and Methods for Supporting Tissue and/or Structures within a

Hollow Body Organ

## RENEWED PETITION FOR AN UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED BENEFIT CLAIM PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.78

Mail Stop Petition Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant requests to amend the benefit claim under 35 U.S.C. §120 of the abovenoted application, as follows in marked-up form:

This application is a continuation-in-part elaims the benefit of co-pending United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/307,226, filed November 29, 2002, which claims the benefit of co-pending United States Provisional Application Serial No. 60/333,937 filed 28 November 2001. This application is also a continuation-in-part elaims the benefit of co-pending United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/271,334, filed October 15, 2002, which claims the benefit of United States Provisional Application Serial No. 60/333,937 filed 28 November 2001.

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The priority claim has been amended to provide the relationship of related applications. A Preliminary Amendment amending the benefit claim as proposed is submitted herewith.

Applicant states that the entire delay between the date the claim was due under 37 C.F.R. §1.78 and the date the claim was filed was unintentional.

Applicant hereby petitions for acceptance of the unintentionally delayed benefit claim.

The requisite fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(t) was previously submitted on 12 November 2004.

Respectfully Submitted,

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